

Office of the Mayor

November 5, 2015

To persons attending the 117th Annual Conference of the California Library Association Pasadena, California

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to extend a cordial welcome as you launch the 117th Annual Conference of the California Library Association (CLA). Best wishes for an enjoyable and successful program.

In Pasadena, through the Central Library and nine branch libraries, a major effort is devoted to ensure delivery and access of quality information, and our residents have twice approved a supplemental tax to ensure their continued support. Libraries are an important part of our City, and provide a wide variety of services, programs, and collections at the neighborhood level to meet the community's information needs.

At today's Conference, you will attend California's leading professional development event for the library community, library partners, and library supporters. The CLA provides leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library services, librarianship and the library community; serves to assist members excel in a fast-changing job market and as a resource for learning about new ideas and technology; and actively works to influence legislation affecting libraries and librarians.

The City of Pasadena is delighted that you have chosen to convene here for this Conference. I am confident the facilities of the Convention Center will accommodate your activities and facilitate the achievement of the goals of the Conference. I also hope that Pasadena will provide an exciting and interesting setting during your visit here when you are not committed to Conference events. Have a wonderful conference, and please enjoy our restaurants, shopping, cultural events, public spaces, and our libraries.

Once again, best wishes for a great event and for success in your activities in the coming year.

Sincerely,

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